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Serial No. 08/454,529) Atty. Docket No. GP004-16.DV4
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Filed: May 30, 1995)
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For: METHODS FOR DETERMINING)
THE PRESENCE OF NON-VIRAL)
ORGANISMS IN A SAMPLE)

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on October 2, 2001, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks in connection with the above-captioned application. The following remarks are intended to address matters discussed with the Examiner during an in-person interview conducted on January 26, 2001 and to provide the additional details requested in the Examiner's Interview Summary. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for granting the referred to interview and for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the interview.

Amendments

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title of the invention to read --METHODS FOR DETERMINING THE PRESENCE OF NON-VIRAL ORGANISMS IN A SAMPLE--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims as follows: